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1. CIRCULAR 175 AUTHORITY HAS BEEN OBTAINED FOR SIGNATURE OF NON-SCHEDULED AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED WITH YUGOSLAVIA LAST MAY. THUS, YOU MAY INFORM APPROPRIATE GOV OFFICIALS THAT US IS READY TO SIGN ONCE CERTAIN DISCREPANCIES BETWEEN SERBO-CROATIAN AND ENGLISH VERSIONS OF THE AGREEMENT RESOLVED (SEE BELOW) AND FINAL TEXTS PREPARED. WHILE YUGOSLAVS HAVE PREVIOUSLY INDICATED PREFERENCE FOR SIGNATURE IN BELGRADE AND WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THIS, EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT THAT IT COULD INSTEAD, OF COURSE, ALSO BE SIGNED IN WASHINGTON.

2. ACTUAL AGREEMENT, WITH ATTACHED ANNEXES A AND B, PLUS THE PROTOCOL, SHOULD BE SIGNED BY THE HIGHEST APPROPRIATE

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OFFICIAL ON EACH SIDE (WHETHER CEREMONIES TAKE PLACE IN

BELGRADE OR WASHINGTON). IF SIGNATURE TAKES PLACE IN BELGRADE, AMBASSADOR OR, IN HIS ABSENCE, CHARGE WOULD SIGN FOR THE U.S. HOWEVER THE CHAIRMEN OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS WHO NEGOTIATED THE PACKAGE SHOULD SIGN THE AGREED MINUTE ON THE EXCHANGE OF TRAFFIC DATA AND THE MEMORANDUM OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW DIRECTIONAL BALANCE FORMULA (ATTACHMENTS F AND G TO MEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATION). (DJOKANOVIC COULD, OF COURSE, SIGN ALL DOCS IN HIS VARIOUS CAPACITIES.)

THIS IS THE CASE BOTH BECAUSE OF THE TECHNICAL, IMPLEMENTING NATURE OF THESE TWO DOCUMENTS AND SINCE, COROLLARILY, IT WAS AGREED THAT THEY WOULD NOT FORM A PART OF THE PUBLISHED AGREEMENT PACKAGE (EVEN THOUGH THEY WILL ALSO NOT BE CONSIDERED CLASSIFIED). PERHAPS SIMPLEST METHOD FOR HANDLING THE TWO DOCUMENTS TO BE SIGNED BY CHAIRMEN WOULD BE SIMULTANEOUS SIGNATURE IN WASHINGTON AND BELGRADE OF ENGLISH AND SERBO-CROATIAN VERSIONS, RESPECTIVELY, WITH SUBSEQUENT EXCHANGE BY AIR POUCH FOR SIGNATURE BY THE OTHER PARTY AND RETENTION OF ONE COPY AND RETURN OF THE OTHER.

3. CONCERNING LANGUAGE COMPARISON, DEPARTMENT'S LANGUAGE SERVICES DIVISION HAS COMPARED CORRECTED ENGLISH TEXT WITH THE AMENDED SERBO-CROATIAN VERSION POUCHED BY EMBASSY (PARA 5, BELGRADE 3084); THE NEW ARTICLE 11 ON RATES (BELGRADE 3353); AND THE SERBO-CROATIAN VERSION OF THE PROTOCOL, THE AGREED MINUTE ON EXCHANGE OF TRAFFIC DATA, AND THE MEMORANDUM ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW DIRECTIONAL BALANCE FORMULA WHICH REMAIN UNCHANGED FROM THE ORIGINAL TRANSLATIONS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MINOR ALTERATION IN THE MEMORANDUM ON IMPLEMENTATION (STATE 137863, PARA 2 (C)). ON AUGUST 9, WE ARE SENDING VIA UNCLASSIFIED AIR POUCH (ATTN CIVAIR OFFICER) ITEMIZATION OF DISCREPANCIES FOUND BY LS. EMBASSY SHOULD TAKE THESE UP WITH APPROPRIATE GOY OFFICIAL ASAP. PLEASE REPORT RESULTS OF THIS RECONCILIATION OF TEXTS.

4. IF AND WHEN IT IS DECIDED THAT SIGNATURE CEREMONIES ARE TO TAKE PLACE IN BELGRADE, WE WILL SEND EMBASSY DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING PREPARATION AND DISPOSITION OF DOCUMENTS. ROGERS
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